

Amendments to the Claims:

Please amend the claims as shown. Applicant reserves the right to pursue any cancelled claims at a later date.

1.-6 (canceled)

7. (new) A method for automatically initiating a call to a first subscriber in a communication network, comprising:

evaluating statistical regularities of calls from the first subscriber to a second subscriber; and

automatically initiating the call to the first subscriber based on the statistical regularities.

8. (new) The method according to claim 7, wherein the automatically initiated call includes an announcement.

9. (new) The method according to claim 8, wherein the announcement is automatically generated based on the statistical regularities.

10. (new) The method according to claim 9,
wherein a connection is established between the first and second subscriber based on an input by the first subscriber, and
wherein the input is specified by the announcement.

11. (new) The method according to claim 8, wherein the statistical regularities include the time of the calls from the first subscriber to the second subscriber.

12. (new) The method according to claim 8, wherein the statistical regularities are the time of the calls from the first subscriber to the second subscriber.

13. (new) The method according to claim 8, wherein the calls from the first subscriber to the second subscriber are evaluated in a switching center connected to the network.

14. (new) The method according to claim 8, wherein the automatically initiated call is initiated in a switching center connected to the network.

15. (new) The method according to claim 8, wherein the calls from the first subscriber to the second subscriber are evaluated in a computer connected to the network.

16. (new) The method according to claim 8, wherein the automatically initiated call is initiated computer connected to the network.

17. (new) The method according to claim 8, wherein the automatically initiated call is initiated on behalf of the second subscriber.